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In re application of: **Jochen BALS**  
 Application No.: 10/542,868  
 Filed: July 20, 2005 as national phase of International Application  
 No. PCT/DE2004/000076, filed January 20, 2004  
 For: **HINGE**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a **Response to Office Action (15 pages)** in the above-identified application.

Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been previously established.  
 Applicants assert small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27.  
 No fee for additional claims is required.  
 A filing fee for additional claims calculated as shown below, is required:

(Col. 1)	(Col. 2)		SMALL ENTITY RATE	LARGE ENTITY RATE	OR
	FOR:	REMAINING AFTER	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY	PRESENT	
	<b>AMENDMENT</b>	<b>PAID FOR</b>	<b>EXTRA</b>		
<b>TOTAL CLAIMS</b>	27	Minus 25	=	2	
<b>INDEP. CLAIMS</b>	4	Minus 3	=	1	
<b>[ ] FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM</b>					
			<u>1 x \$ 26</u>	<u>1 x \$ 52</u>	<u>\$ 104</u>
			<u>1 x \$110</u>	<u>1 x \$220</u>	
			<u>+ \$195</u>	<u>+ \$390</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>
			<b>TOTAL: \$</b>	<b>OR</b>	<b>TOTAL: \$324</b>

Also transmitted herewith are:  
 Petition for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136  
 Other: **Four (4) pages of Replacement Sheets and a Return receipt postcard.**

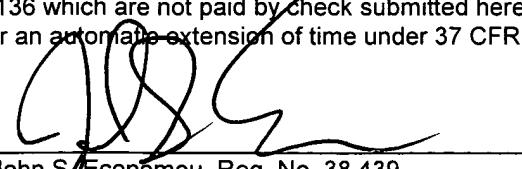
Check(s) in the amount of **\$1434.00** is/are attached to cover:  
 Filing fee for additional claims under 37 C.F.R. 1.16  
 Petition fee for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136  
 Other:

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Any filing fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 for the presentation of additional claims which are not paid by check submitted herewith.  
 Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.  
 Any petition fees for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 which are not paid by check submitted herewith, and it is hereby requested that this be a petition for an automatic extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136.

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